

**BEFORE**  
**THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**DOCKET NO. 2020-54-T – ORDER NO. 20\_\_ - \_\_**  
**\_\_\_\_\_,20\_\_**

IN	Application of Luxury Movers )	<b>ORDER GRANTING</b>
RE:	Moving Company, LLC for a Class E )	<b>CLASS E HOUSEHOLD</b>
	(Household Goods) Certificate of )	<b>GOODS CERTIFICATE</b>
	Public Convenience and Necessity for )	<b>STATEWIDE</b>
	Operation of Motor Vehicle Carrier )	<b>AUTHORITY</b>

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the Application of Luxury Movers Moving Company, LLC (“Applicant” or “Luxury Movers”) to amend its Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPC&N”). Applicant seeks a CPC&N with authority to move household goods throughout the state. Notice of this Application was timely published pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 103-132 on February 21, 2020. No third parties intervened, and a hearing on the Application was held on May 6, 2020.

The parties at the hearing were the Applicant, represented by Charles L.A. Terreni, Esquire, and the Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”), represented by C. Lessie Hammonds Esquire. The ORS informed the Commission it did not oppose Luxury Movers ‘Application.

Luxury Movers called its co-owner, Maurice Gillam as a witness. Mr. Gillam and Darius Frazier are the two members Luxury Movers. Mr. Gillam and Mr. Frazier are both graduates of Coastal Carolina University, and they worked

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together for Habitat for Humanity of Horry County ReStore. As the manager of Habitat for Humanity of Horry County ReStore, Mr. Gillam picked up donated items from homes, scheduled pickups, organized the showroom, and was in charge of fifteen employees. As the Donation Acquisition Supervisor, Mr. Frazier supervised all truck drivers, scheduled pickups, organized the truck routes, and assisted with picking up donated items from homes and area businesses. Both men have also worked for moving companies.

Mr. Gillam believes South Carolina's rapid population growth, particularly in the Myrtle Beach area, will provide an opportunity for his household goods moving business. Luxury Movers plans to reach customers by advertising in newspapers, social media outlets, and by word of mouth. Applicant is exempt from having a safety rating from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Mr. Gillam testified that there are no complaints or judgments against him, Mr. Frazier, or Luxury Movers; they have adequate equipment and facilities to provide moving services and adequate financial resources. Luxury Movers will obtain appropriate insurance, as evidenced by the quotes introduced at the hearing. Applicant certified that it is familiar and will comply with all applicable statutes and regulations. Mr. Gillam testified Luxury Movers has purchased a truck and has identified workers for the new business. Mr. Gillam and Mr. Frazier plan to grow the business gradually over the next five years, adding trucks and employees.

Luxury Movers will use the tariff and bill of lading approved in with this application. During the hearing, Commissioner Belser recommended some changes to the company's tariff, which have since been submitted to the Commission. The Commission approves the tariff as revised.

On May 5, 2020, Applicant moved to present shipper witness testimony by affidavit. The Commission granted this request by Order No. 2020-35-H. Applicant offered the shipper witness affidavit testimony of Amberly Green. Ms. Green, a real estate agent with three years of experience in South Carolina, testified South Carolina's housing market is strong. Aff. ¶ 3. Ms. Green is frequently asked to recommend movers of household goods, and it can be difficult to find qualified movers who are hardworking and ethical. Aff. ¶ 4. She believes there is a need for more qualified movers and believes granting Luxury Movers' application is in the public interest. Aff. ¶¶ 4 and 5.

ORS did not prefile testimony but submitted a letter to the Commission on May 5, 2020, stating that ORS "is of the opinion that the Applicant will meet the requirements of fit, willing, and able as required of a Household Goods Mover under the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-133 (2012)."

The Commission finds Luxury Movers has demonstrated that it is fit, willing, and able to operate a household goods mover under S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-330 and S.C. Code Reg. 103-133. We also find that the public convenience and

necessity is not already being served by existing authorized services. Therefore, Luxury Movers' Application for statewide authority should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The Application of Luxury Movers Moving Company, LLC for a Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is approved for the Applicant to transport household goods to points and places throughout the state.

2. The final Tariff and Bill of Lading are approved and attached hereto as Exhibits 1 and 2.

3. The Applicant shall file with the Office of Regulatory Staff the proper insurance, safety rating, and other information required by S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-10 *et. seq.*, as amended, and by S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-100 through 103-241 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 38-400 through 38-503 of the Department of Public Safety's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, or within such additional time as may be authorized by the Commission.

4. Upon compliance with S. C. Code Section 58-23-10 *et seq.*, and the applicable regulations for Motor Carriers, a Certificate will be issued by the Office of Regulatory Staff authorizing the motor carrier services granted herein.

5. The motor carrier's services authorized by this Order will not be provided prior to compliance with the above-referenced requirements and receipt of a Certificate.

6. Failure of the Applicant to either 1) complete the certification process by complying with the Office of Regulatory Staff requirements within ninety (90) days of this Order, or 2) to request and obtain from the Commission additional time to comply with the requirements stated above, will cause this Order granting the Application to be null and void, and the Application will be dismissed without prejudice. No further order of this Commission is necessary.

7. Under the two-month reporting requirement continued in Order No. 2014-443 (May 21, 2013), the ORS is requested to furnish the name and docket number of the Applicant to the Commission, should the Applicant fail to meet the present Order. If such notification is provided, the docket will be closed.

8. This Order will remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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Comer H. "Randy" Randall, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Chief Clerk / Executive Director